

Problem set 10, submit solutions by 21.11.2012

The **Problems** below will be discussed in the tutorial on 23.11.2012.
(The **Exercises** are additional and will be discussed only if time permits.)

In the problems and the exercise below, $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ denotes a probability space and all random variables are assumed to be defined on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.

Problem 3.9. Let X, Y be independent geometric random variables of parameter $1/2$. Let $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Calculate the following probabilities:

$$(i) \quad \mathbb{P}[\min\{X, Y\} \leq k] \quad (ii) \quad \mathbb{P}[X < Y] \quad (iii) \quad \mathbb{P}[X = Y]$$

Problem 3.10. Let X be a real random variable with $X \sim \text{Unif}(0, \pi/2)$ and set $Y := \sin X$. Find the following quantities:

$$(i) \quad \text{a density of } Y \quad (ii) \quad \mathbb{E}[Y] \quad (iii) \quad \text{var}(Y)$$

Exercise 3.11 (Not difficult – **DO NOT SKIP!**). Define $\rho : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$\rho(x, y) := \frac{1}{2}(x + y)e^{-x-y}\mathbf{1}_{(0, \infty)^2}(x, y). \quad (3.81)$$

(1) Prove that $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \rho(z) dz = 1$, so that $\mu := \rho \cdot m_2$ is a probability law on \mathbb{R}^2 .

(2) Let X, Y be real random variables with $(X, Y) \sim \mu$. Find the following quantities:

$$(i) \quad \text{a density of } X \quad (ii) \quad \mathbb{E}[X] \quad (iii) \quad \text{var}(X) \\ (iv) \quad \text{cov}(X, Y) \quad (v) \quad \text{a density of } X + Y$$

((iv): $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} xy\rho(x, y)dm_2(x, y)$ by Theorem 3.14. (v): find a density of $(X + Y, X - Y)$ in the same way as Example 3.30 and then use Proposition 3.17.)

In Exercise 3.11-(2), you will see that $\text{cov}(X, Y) \neq 0$, which together with (3.31) in Proposition 3.32 implies that $\{X, Y\}$ is not independent.

Problem 3.12. Let X be a real random variable with $X \sim N(m, v)$. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that $\alpha X \sim N(\alpha m, \alpha^2 v)$. (Note that a special treatment is required if $v = 0$ or $\alpha = 0$.)

Problem 3.13. Let X, Y be independent real random variables with $X \sim N(m_1, v_1)$ and $Y \sim N(m_2, v_2)$. Prove that $X + Y \sim N(m_1 + m_2, v_1 + v_2)$. (Use Propositions 3.36 and 3.38. Note again that a special treatment is required if $v_1 = 0$ or $v_2 = 0$.)

Exercise 3.14. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$ be independent real random variables with $X_i \sim N(m_i, v_i)$ for any $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Set $X := \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, $m := \sum_{i=1}^n m_i$ and $v := \sum_{i=1}^n v_i$. Prove that $X \sim N(m, v)$. (Induction in n . Use Proposition 3.31 and Problem 3.13.)

Problem 3.15. Let $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be real random variables. Prove the following statements:
(1) $\{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n \text{ exists in } \mathbb{R}\}$ is a tail event for $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$. (The results of Example 3.48 can be used.)

(2) If $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \subset \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$, then $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ and $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ are $\sigma_\infty(\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty)$ -measurable. (Imitate Example 3.48.)

Exercise 3.16. Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be d -dimensional random variables. Prove that $\{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n \text{ exists in } \mathbb{R}^d\}$ is a tail event for $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$. (Problem 3.15-(1) can be used.)